

"To Our Pride In the Past, and Our Hope for the Future, Let Us Add Vigorous Work in the Living Present."

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UTILITIES CO. DINNER WAS BIG SUCCESS

The Missouri Utilities Co. dinner, given Monday noon for the preferred stockholders, was one of the most unique and delightful affairs of its kind ever given in this city. E. R. Locke presided and following the service of many good things to eat in the dining room of the Mexico Christian church many interesting talks were made.

Those who spoke were President S. M. Locke, E. R. Locke, William Pollock, A. A. Gallaher, John T. Mitchell, C. Centralia, William Prowell, J. W. Boles, of Aurvase, Julius Kreuger of Martinsburg, John Zimmerman of Benton City, Mrs. Carlo E. Woods of Wellsville, Mr. McCam, of Stone & Webster engineering firm, Mrs. T. J. Harris, of Warrenton. Pate Morris, of this city, who was the first white child born in Mexico, was the oldest stockholder of the company.

Mr. Locke went into many details of the business and matters that were of interest to those present. Besides the preferred stockholders present bankers and members of the press in this section are among the guests.

One particular interesting part of the program was when Mr. Locke referred to the employee who had been with the firm many years and read the honor roll of men who had been in the Company's employment for over ten years. It was most interesting and touching situation and impressive in detail. The roll of honor is as follows:

The Honor Roll.
John Dyke 34 years
Morgan Day 32 years
J. W. Simms 27 years
Louis Carrio 22 years
George Roadhouse 21 years
Chas. Cleveland 12 years
W. H. Westrope 11 years
Ed O'Brien 10 years

The first electric light plant in Mexico was established in 1885. J. E. Llewellyn started it and received his permit from the city in August of that year. It is interesting to note that this was the third electric light plant in Missouri. When Mr. Llewellyn started his plant there was a small one in Kansas City and St. Louis and St. Joseph and Springfield were at work getting plants in readiness in those places. The first electric plants in New York were in 1882 so Mexico was among the leaders, as always, in keeping pace with progress.

Wardell & McCullough purchased the light plant from Mr. Llewellyn in 1893 and the present company in 1903. E. R. Locke became manager of the present company in 1907.

Is Meeting Of James Bledsoe Post Thursday

The James Bledsoe Post of the American Legion met Thursday night in the community room. A large number of members were present. On a motion of Leopold Barth, seconded by Billy Van Deventer, the post will make a donation of \$17.50 to the Salvation Army. Rodes Jesse made a motion that \$500 be set aside to invest in Liberty bonds.

A committee on Armistice Day celebration was appointed with the Rev. W. C. Cowar as chairman and Rodes Jesse and Leopold Barth.

It was decided that the entire roster of members be entered on the charter by a professional penman. The charter will be put on display in the reading room.

Alex Hope made a motion that funds be set aside to secure a portrait of James W. Bledsoe, for whom the post is named.

The post has received ten guns from the government.

Attended Music Meeting.
Mrs. Abby Snoddy, of this city, was in Jefferson City Thursday attending a meeting of the State Music Teachers Association. Mrs. Snoddy, who is one of the most successful and capable music teachers in Missouri, is president in this district for the state organization.

Lester Miller is quite ill.

Miss Morrill Starts School Health Crusade

Miss Louise Morrill, school nurse and social service worker of Mexico has started this week the health crusade in the schools. It was started in the South Side School Wednesday and will be put in the other schools by the end of the week.

The Missouri Health Crusade is under the Missouri Tuberculosis Association, and is being installed in the schools all over the state. It is a system of teaching practical personal hygiene and home and community hygiene and sanitation. Its aim is to establish good health habits and to establish community interest in public health work. Through elements of play and romance, and other appeals suited to psychology, it gives pupils a motive needed for the practice of personal hygiene.

Under the crusade system pupils do the duties which are explained in books of physiology and hygiene which are too often left undone. The results sought by the School Health Crusade are the physical, mental and moral improvement of the individual child and in their families, and the awakening of a sense of community public health responsibility.

The certificate of enrollment states that the boy or girl has agreed to try to do the health crusade chores, to do nothing that may hurt the health of any other person and to help keep home and the home town healthful.

MISS LILLIAN WATSON WRITES LEDGER FROM THE WEST

Miss William Watson, of this city, is in California for the fall and winter, and writes under date of Oct. 4th, from Los Angeles as follows:

"We arrived in Los Angeles, Sept. 25th, at 8:30 a. m., after a very enjoyable trip by way of Denver, Albuquerque, and through the state of Arizona. The sunset on Pike's Peak, viewed it from Colorado Springs is a wonderful scene.

At La Junta, Colo., we witnessed the capture of a train robber who tried to escape from Kansas City and Denver train which came in over the same road about one hour later than we did. The robber was sent to the Canyon City penitentiary for twenty years.

After traveling through mountains with high rock cliffs in New Mexico and then through the desert of Arizona, we crossed the Colorado River at sunset into paradise the sunny state of California. The beauty of the sunrise on the wonderful peaks near San Bernardino is beyond description. The orange grove, all kinds of flowers, and trees, in the beautiful sunlight were an inspiration. The trip in every detail was exactly like my expectations of it.

Los Angeles is a beautiful city of 600,000. The climate being warm the year around, produces fine vegetables, fruits, and flowers.

Since arriving we have been to San Pedro Harbor to see Admiral Rodman's fleet bombard San Pedro in sham battles, and also to Venice, a beautiful city on the beach. We enjoyed the beauty of the great Pacific Ocean. We are going to the Redondo beach in the near future, and also expect to make the trip to Catalina Islands.

We are enjoying life in this beautiful land of sunshine, fruit, and flowers, and will be glad to hear from our friends in Missouri.

With best wishes and kindest regards to our Missouri friends,
LILLIAN WATSON,
610 Court St., Los Angeles, Calif.

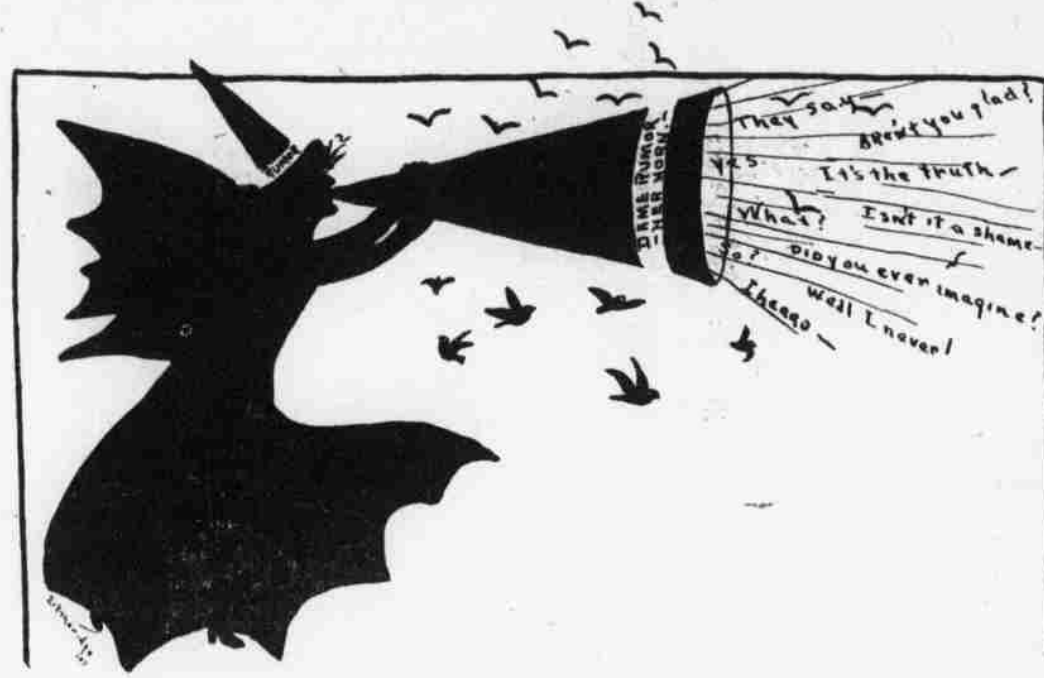
CHILDREN TO HOME

James Huntley, nine years old, and Martin Huntley, six years old, of Ladonia have been accepted at the Presbyterian Orphans Home at Farmington, and will be taken there in a few weeks by Miss Burhl Hibbs, executive secretary of the Red Cross.

The mother of the children died last June of tuberculosis, and the father, who is a farmer, can make the present. A little girl, Hattie, two years old, has been adopted by distant relatives. They will be placed temporarily in the home, until the father is unable to care for them at a home for them.

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Brown of Columbia and Lyle Brown of Centralia were guests of Miss Emma Green last week. They attended the Street Fair in Fulton motoring over with Miss Green.

SOCIETY



GOSSIP.

Mrs. Dave Chasenoff of Sedalia is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Phillip this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Cunningham were week-end guests of relatives here.

Mrs. Wallace Dearing, Frank Dearing and Miss Martha Dearing motored to St. Louis Sunday and visited John Dearing who is in school there. Sunday noon Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cunningham had as dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Cunningham of Ladonia; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mason, Earl C. Cunningham, Miss Julia Cunningham, Mrs. Mamie Craig and Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Cunningham of Wells, and Miss Cynthia Cunningham of Ladonia. The four course dinner which was served by Misses Margaret and Frances Cunningham was in honor of the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham.

One daughter, Mrs. C. Nesbitt Duffy, and one grand daughter, Alice Cunningham Duffy of Philadelphia, were unable to attend the celebration. In the afternoon many friends called to wish congratulations to this happy couple. Many beautiful gifts were sent by friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Fry entertained at dinner Friday evening the Rev. and Mrs. W. P. Wynn, the Reverend W. C. Cowart and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Fry.

Miss Dorothy Holmes of Troy and brother, Eugene Holmes of St. Louis, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Luckie Sunday. In the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Luckie, Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Emmons, Miss Dorothy Holmes, Miss Edith Ethridge, Eugene Holmes and Will Williams went to the Luckie farm and cooked supper.

Mrs. A. P. Johnson and guest, Mrs. Mantiply, returned Friday from a week's visit in Buncheon, Mo.

Mrs. G. W. Robertson has returned from an extended visit in the west.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Elliott and son, Alfred, Jr., are home from a trip to New York and Chicago.

Miss Sarah Cubertson spent the week-end at Macon with her parents.

Mrs. W. G. Burks and Miss Mary Lee Burks are visiting in St. Louis this week.

Mrs. S. J. Buckner of Quincy, Ill., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kelso.

Miss Norma Tolson was hostess to the "H. H." class Monday afternoon. After the games and music, refreshments were served. The extra guests were Misses Lucile Dozier, Martha Luckie, and Bernice Glass. Mrs. J. W. Howell is the teacher of this class which is named for her and the members are Misses Anna Margaret Burton, Elizabeth Whitson, Esther Snyder, Major Barnes, Gladys Bilton and Norma Tolson.

Mrs. Jake Buckner was hostess for the "Menatink" club Wednesday afternoon. The new members have been added to this club this year. They are Mrs. Neal Silliman and Mrs. George Will Robertson who were present. Bridge was enjoyed and later dainty refreshments served.

Mrs. M. R. Wise is in Excelsior Springs for a short visit.

Miss Ruth Cauthorn is home from Columbia for the week-end.

Miss Mary Liley of Kansas City

spent the week-end with Mrs. W. P. Wynn.

Miss Aileen Reed entertained her Sunday School class Monday afternoon at her home on South Jefferson street. Ice cream and cake was served at 5 o'clock.

Mrs. George Clark and Mrs. O. L. Martin were hostesses for a 1 o'clock luncheon Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Martin. Small tables were placed in the living room and dining room, each table being decorated with cut flowers. At the large dining table, a basket of Orphelia roses formed the centerpiece. Dainty place cards were used and talley to those who later played cards. Thirty five ladies were served an elaborate luncheon by Cateress Scott. Among the out-of-town guests were Mrs. S. H. Buckner of Quincy, Mrs. H. P. French of Martinsburg and Mrs. Furst of California.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lange entertained at the Tea Shop Tuesday evening with covers for the following: Mr. and Mrs. Cortez Edmonston, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Phillip and houseguest, Mrs. Dave Chasenoff of Sedalia.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Burks gave a five hundred party Thursday evening at their home on North Calhoun. At the close of the game, refreshments were served the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. Tom R. Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis J. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Loyal Wonneman, Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Miller, Miss Vera Rutter, Mrs. J. Q. Rutter, Mrs. Wonneman and Orpheus Rutter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Boillott, Misses Elizabeth McClure and Beulah McClure and Clay McClure, Bert Bunch and Jack Hines motored to Camp Jackson Sunday afternoon for supper.

Miss Josephine Wallace was hostess for the Beta Sigma Omicron alumnae Monday afternoon. After the business meeting, refreshments were served. There were sixteen members present.

Mrs. J. Streif accompanied Mrs. Marqu and daughter of Staggett, Ark., to St. Louis Tuesday and spent several days shopping.

Junior Edmonston has found another way to entertain his friends since the picture shows are closed. On Monday afternoon he gave a party in honor of his birthday and took his guests to the football game at M. M. A. Later they went to his home where Mrs. Edmonston had awaiting them a very delicious lunch. Those at the party were Clark and Billy Bledsoe, Bobby Tucker, Bradford Brett, Warren and Landon McIntyre, John Snoddy, Elkin Botts, Dorrence Edmonston, Emily Williams and A. C. White.

Mrs. Joe Wilkins was hostess to the F. A. E. club Friday at a 1 o'clock luncheon. The afternoon was spent in playing bridge.

The choir of the M. E. Church, South, enjoyed a party at the church Thursday night after the regular practice. The refreshments consisted of pumpkin pie and cider. The extra guests were: Mrs. Charles S. Harrison, J. W. Howell, Col. E. Y. Burton, the Reverend W. P. Wynn and the Reverend W. C. Cowart.

A few couples enjoyed an informal dance at the Elks Home Monday evening. Music was furnished by the "Sunshine" Orchestra.

The United Daughters of Confederacy held their October meeting at the home of Mrs. F. R. Sanford, the hostesses being Mesdames Sanford, Howe, Burton and Miss Robnett. Five new names Mrs. J. C. Stoy, Mrs. James Haskell, Mrs. Randolph and Misses Carolyn Worrell and Aileen Reed were added to our roll. The delegates elected to the national convention which meets in Asheville, N. C., in November were Mrs. Pollock and Mrs. Coil with Mrs. Burton and Miss Stevens as alternates. After the business session Rev. Cowart gave us a very interesting and instructive address on the "History of the South." A delightful social hour was then enjoyed and refreshments served by the hostesses.—CORRESPONDENT.

Invitations have been received here by friends, announcing the approaching marriage of Miss Sarah Fleming Singer to the Rev. Robert Carpenter.

Ten Broocks on the evening of Monday October 18, 1920, at the church of the Redeemer, Hyde Park, Chicago. The Rev. Ten Broocks was instructor in the Missouri Military Academy one year and is well known here. He was very popular at school as well as in the town and am an of high principles and education, having been graduated from the college at Fairbault, Minn., as well as from Eastern schools. At present, he is rector at the Hyde park Church of the Redeemer in Chicago. Miss Singer is quite an accomplished and charming young lady. Our best wishes and congratulations are extended in advance.

Hyde Did Not Answer Atkin- son Directly

Arthur M. Hyde, Republican candidate for governor and Geo. E. Hackman, state auditor, spoke at the court house, Wednesday night at the Republican meeting. Mr. Hyde's speech was mainly concerned with the elections in St. Louis and Kansas City. Mr. Hyde said that the election in Kansas City had been very corrupt, and give indictments and court records to try to prove his statements.

In answer to Mr. Atkinson's question which follows and was asked by the Democratic nominee for governor when he spoke here Tuesday evening, "In view of your denunciation of the high men in the Republican party, who participated in the distribution of the Lowden campaign slush fund, do you, or do you not, indorse, the candidacy of T. W. Hukriede for Congress in the 9th District against Champ Clark in view of Hukriede's having admitted in his sworn testimony that he received \$1200 of this corrupt fund?" Mr. Hyde said that there was no evidence that this fund had been used for improper purposes. Mr. Hackman made the first speech of the evening. L. McGamble introduced the speakers and presided.

At the end of the meeting Sheriff J. G. Ford, who had taken exception to Mr. Hyde's criticism of the president, stated that as long as he was sheriff and in charge of the court house he would not allow anyone to use it who criticised the president.

Perry Places Its Approval On The Pershingway Plan

At a meeting in Perry, Thursday afternoon, at which Herbert McDougal, manager of the Pershingway, led for the extension of the Pershingway from the Audrain county line to their city.

Friday Mr. McDougal, accompanied by a number of Perry business men, went to Monroe City to a meeting where they plan to continue that route through this section.

Interest in the route through this section has been growing daily and if it continues unabated as Mr. McDougal travels northward the link required to complete the highway will be established shortly.

Degrading A Nation.

(From The New York World.)
The Republican Party has turned its back on its own principles of 1860 and 1918." Thus writes the venerable Charles W. Eliot in the current issue of the Atlantic Monthly.

Dr. Eliot adds by way of further comment: "The deplorable change of front is a deep mortification and distress to all patriotic American Republicans or Democrats and particularly those who remember the political ideals which the Republican Party was founded to contend for and which it lead to glorious victories."

Those present were: Misses Nannie Wright, Jennie Karnes, Grace VanHorn, Frank Cauthorn, Prichilla Sannebeck, Pauline Craddock, Leatia Pryor, Grace Hatcher, Anne Bledsoe and Bess Shearman.

Professor and Mrs. Bufford and Mr. and Mrs. Hull of Kirksville, were dinner guests at Miss Nannie Wrights last Sunday noon.

A wedding of interest to Mexico will be that of Miss Carrie Virginia Botts to Mr. Alexandri, Wayt Arbuckle of Lewisburg, W. Va., on Oct. 20th. Miss Botts is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Botts and is a young woman of excellent traits of mind and character. She is educated and refined, and belongs to one of the best families of Missouri. Mr. Arbuckle is a stranger in Mexico, but comes highly recommended as a sterling young Virginia planter. The romance had its beginning when Miss Botts visited in Virginia last year. Mr. Arbuckle shows his rare good judgment in coming to Missouri for a wife. The wedding will take place at the beautiful country home of the bride at eight o'clock Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Buckner entertained at dinner Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Clay and Bryan Kelso of Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Marlowe, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Cox and Dr. and Mrs. P. H. Gregory enjoyed a motor trip to Camp Jackson Sunday afternoon. Ben Timberlake and Roger Bagby are home from a vacation trip to the Ozarks.

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F. O'SULLIVAN EXTENDED A WARM WELCOME

It was a warm, a happy and an enthusiastic welcome home that was given the Rev. Father Timothy O'Sullivan, Sunday evening by the Knights of Columbus. The guest at St. Brendan's had just returned from a three month's visit to his old home in Ireland and the only sad note in the joyous occasion was his own story of what he saw in his beloved Ireland battling with England.

The Sunshine orchestra, one of Mexico's cleverest musical organizations, played during the evening and the women of the parish served a bounteous and delicious menu. Father White, of Fulton; Father Freese, of Martinsburg; Father Schleuter, of Vandalia; all responded to toast at the introduction of Father Hurley, of Wellsville, who has a corner on Irish wit and repartee. Mayor J. F. Harrison, Col. E. Y. Burton, and Fred A. Morris all spoke and joined in the greetings to "Father Tim."

When Father O'Sullivan arose to speak he was given an ovation. He described the conditions that have existed in Ireland always as regards government and that the present unrest there was due to England and the remainder of the world taking the attitude during the late war, that each small nation had the right to choose its own government.

He likened England's treatment of the Irish today to that of Germany with Belgium. He said the present trouble was not a religious question for both Catholics and Protestants lived together amicably, except where trouble was started by English agents, and that all through history most of the greatest patriots had been Protestants.

That Ireland today had its own Republican form of government and it was functioning. That the police officers killed by the Irish were considered traitors to the Republic because they were fighting the Republic and that their being shot from ambush was considered an exception and not murder. They were men who had been tried and found guilty by trial courts.

He told of the wanton destruction of property and life by the military in reprisals and that the only people in Ireland who were against freedom were the English and Scotch who lived in Ireland and were the pets of the government of England.

That the Irish do not expect the United States to go to war in her behalf but they do expect sympathy and believe it their just right that their government be recognized. He stated that the Irish will die before they submit and that they have now gone too far to change their attitude until the end sought is gained.

AND THEY SAY MOVIE PLOTS ARE IMPOSSIBLE.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Oct. 4.—Nine years ago William (Hoss) Faach had almost nothing in the world but courage. That led him into a burning house at Claremore, Okla., where he rescued the 11 year old daughter of J. J. Roberts. Roberts gave Faach some oil company stock, which it was hoped some day would be worth something.

Recently Faach, who is 33, was glad enough to have his job here selling papers. Last week he got a check for \$1,500, first of a series of dividends on the oil stock.

Today Faach is debating which auto he will buy, probably to use on his wedding trip after Oct. 24. Of course, the bride will be the girl he rescued.

Columbia Merchants Back M. U. Tiger

COLUMBIA MO., Oct. 18.—The their struggle to hold the Mississippi Valley Conference football championship this fall, the University of Missouri Tigers are to have the cheerful and full-lunged support of the businessmen of Columbia, according to action recently taken by, which fifty-three merchants agreed to close their stores during the decisive games and arranged to reserve a section in the bleachers.

To Lincoln County.

The State Democratic Committee has assigned Wallace Fry, of this city, to speak in Lincoln county the week of October 25th. They have also delegated Judge Guy A. Thompson for that duty in Audrain. County Chairman R. W. Berrey asks us to state that any part of the county desiring a speaker will be give one by notifying him.